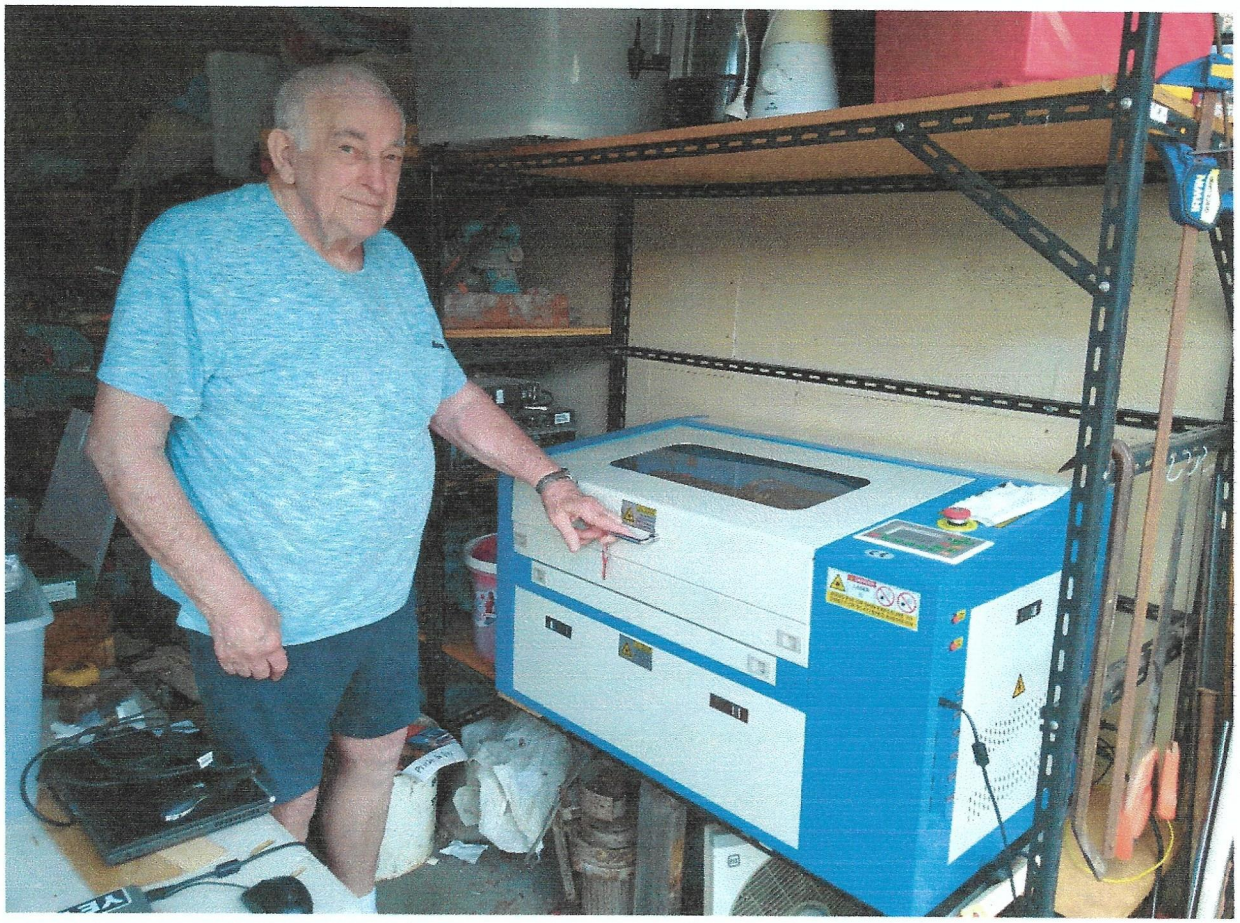
Paul Morrant, MMR® #509



In 2007, I was invited to an NMRA meeting at Geoff Notts' home. I was to say the least, very impressed with the scenic modelling to the point that I joined the NMRA that day at the meeting.

I was told about the Achievement Program. At that stage I would have had trouble gluing two sticks together, but I was encouraged by Geoff Nott, Steve Pettit MMR, John Montgomery, Ray Walters and others to give the APs a go.

So, on the 5th May 2009, I received my Golden Spike (a big deal for me). Then came Structures in January 2011 (first real one). Then I got Scenery as my second AP in July 2011,

In sequence, I then received #3 Dispatcher and #4 Volunteer November 2012, #5 Civil in January 2013, #6 Cars and #7 Electrical in February 2013 followed by MMR (the big one).

I was also a member of the Australasian Region Committee so I received #8 Official in July 2013. I was on the Committee for 4 years and Regional Librarian for 5 years. I assisted with Conventions and train shows.

So why stop there? (So many AP recipients seem to stop at their MMR). Personal reasons kept me from any modelling for several years. When I was able to resume modelling, I decided to try for the remainder of the 11 APs (only achieved in Australasian Region once before by the late Fred Gill MMR #181).

I gained these on Feb 2022 #9 Prototype Modeller, March 2022 #10 Motive Power and lastly March 2022 Author #11. Lots of work but the most satisfying.

In closing I believe I got more than I gave

Sincerely Paul Morrant MMR 509

Certificates Earned Paul Morrant, MMR® #509

Master Builder – Motive Power

Master Builder – Cars

Master Builder – Structures

Master Builder – Scenery

Master Builder – Prototype Models

Model Railroad Engineer – Civil

Model Railroad Engineer – Electrical

Chief Dispatcher

Association Official

Association Volunteer

Model Railroad Author